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Addendum

IV. USE OF NUCLEAR POWER SOURCES IN OUTER SPACE

The new paragraphs given below are to replace paragraphs 11 to 13 of document A/AC.105/C.1/L.175/Add.1:

1. The Subcommittee noted that the scientific and technical guidelines and criteria for the safe use of nuclear power sources in outer space could, in the future, be reviewed and revised as necessary, as provided in principle 12 of the draft principles contained in document A/AC.105/C.2/L.154/Rev.7.

2. The Subcommittee took note of the work being done in the IAEA and other international organizations concerning international principles of radiation protection. The Subcommittee noted that its recommendations on principles for safe use of nuclear power sources should appropriately reflect any relevant international guidelines and standards dealing with nuclear power sources, including those of the IAEA and other international organizations.

3. The Subcommittee took note of a working paper submitted by the United States (A/AC.105/C.1/L.176), that, according to that delegation, revisited certain portions of the Subcommittee's recommendations underlying draft principle 3, with a view to the Subcommittee's making specific modifications to ensure the technical accuracy of the recommendations, as a step towards contributing further to the substantial progress made in the Subcommittee on this subject.

4. In this connection, some delegations expressed the view that, in the consideration of the draft principles, discussion of principle 3 should not be re-opened. Work should continue on the remaining principles on which agreement has not yet been reached.

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